



## Parish Bulletin

June 14th, 2026  
11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**A GOSPEL THOUGHT:** Jesus' heart is moved with compassion for the crowds, seeing them as sheep without a shepherd. In response, He calls and sends the Twelve to continue His mission, giving them authority to heal, cast out demons, and proclaim that the Kingdom of God is near.

This message fits beautifully since we are now a few weeks into the longest season of the Church year: Ordinary Time. "Ordinary" does not mean unimportant; it comes from the Latin *ordinalis*, meaning "counted." Each week is numbered—like today, the 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time—marking the steady unfolding of the Church's life.

The priest wears a green chasuble at Mass because it is the color of growth all around us—in trees, fields, and plants. This is a season of hope, deepening faith, and steady inner growth—becoming faithful disciples in ordinary life. So stay united to Christ and to the Church, and bear lasting fruit through prayer, consistent love, and service.

-Fr. Bill

**FROM THE ARCHBISHOP:** A few days ago, I received a note from Archbishop McKnight: "Father Bill,

your jokes are really, really bad."  
(Well, actually, he didn't write that.)

Here's what he did write:

"Congratulations to you and Sts. Joseph & Lawrence Parish's for reaching your 2026 Archdiocesan Call to Share Goal with 34% of your parish participating. Your witness supporting and promoting ACTS reflects the Beatitudes, bringing hope, comfort, and Christ's love to those in need. Thank you! **Please share my gratitude with your parish for their support.** With a grateful heart, I thank you for asking beside me as we tend the flock today and prepare the Church for generations to come."

-Fr. Bill

**CONGRATULATIONS** to our newly selected officers of our Knights of Columbus Council, who will help lead and guide their brothers in the years ahead:

**Grand Knight – John Donovan.**  
**Deputy Grand Knight – Jason Nichols.**  
**Advocate – Mike Goetz.**  
**Warden – Gabe Araujo.**  
**Treasurer – Chad Hendrix.**  
**Recorder – Jason Adelaine.**  
**Financial Secretary – Mark Heim.**  
**Lecturer – Vince Eimer.**  
**Trustee 1 – Matt Brewster.**  
**Trustee 2 – Glenn Coffey.**  
**Trustee 3 – Aaron Welch.**

Our council began as an idea around the rectory dining room table in August 2022. By October, the Supreme Council had approved our charter, and in December 2022, our council was officially formed. In just three and a half years, we have grown to 56 members and established a strong foundation of faith, fraternity, and service.

We extend our sincere gratitude to the officers who have faithfully served during these formative years and helped build the council into what it is today. We offer special thanks to Aaron Welch, our first Grand Knight, for his outstanding and exemplary job leading our council from the very beginning. His dedication, vision, and leadership were instrumental in establishing and growing our excellent and award-winning council.

May God bless our council as they continue the mission of charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism. We are

grateful for all they do to strengthen our parish, serve our community, and put their faith into action.

-Fr. Bill, Chaplain

**COLLECTION:** Thank you for your gifts to our parish. The collection for last weekend was a total of \$2034, which included \$300-Capital Fund Drive, \$200-Rents, \$1534-Regular Collection. Additionally there was \$100 for STL Cemetery and \$1595 for SJV Cemetery. Online donations were \$1273.90. Thank you for your generous donations!

**SECOND COLLECTION** will be held the weekend of **June 28<sup>th</sup>** for Peter's Pence (Collection for the Holy Father).

**GIVE ONLINE. ANYTIME.**

**ANYWHERE.** Giving to your parish online weekly or monthly is incredibly convenient. You can even set it up to be automatically, so you never have to worry about bringing cash or writing checks. Whether you're traveling, busy, or not at our Mass, your support continues without interruption. It saves time, reduces stress, and helps you stay consistent in your giving. It's a simple, reliable way to support St. Joseph-St. Lawrence with ease and peace of mind. Go to [SJSLParish.org/online-giving/](http://SJSLParish.org/online-giving/)

**WELCOME TO** Thomas Witt, the newest member of our parish. We're glad you are part of the St. Joseph-St. Lawrence family.

**PIANO RECITAL:** Pianist, Lio Kuok-Wai, will give a piano recital on Sunday, **June 21** at 3 PM at Immaculate Conception Church (711 N. Fifth St, Leavenworth, KS). Lio Kuok-Wai made his concerto debut at age 10 with the Macau Orchestra at the 2000 Macau Arts Festival. He studied piano at the Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts, Yale University, the University of Kansas, and the International Center for Music at Park University. He has performed at some of the world's most renowned venues and collaborated with leading orchestras and conductors, including the China Philharmonic, Hong Kong Philharmonic, Camerata Salzburg, and Houston Symphony. Please come and enjoy the recital. The recital is free; donations will be accepted to benefit the Leavenworth Recreation Activity Scholarship Program.

**UPCOMING MARILAC CENTER EVENT: SILENT DIRECTED RETREAT.** Join us for a silent, directed personal retreat for one or more days, any time between **June**

**19<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.** To register for the above events, please email: [retreats@scls.org](mailto:retreats@scls.org)

**ST. JOSEPH CHURCH PICNIC:** will be held **June 28**, 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM, at the St. Joseph Church (Basement), 306 N. Broadway, LVN. The Picnic Menu includes hamburgers, hot dogs, brats, salads & ice cream. \$10 for adults; \$5 for kids (ages 12 and under). There will be a raffle for a quilt, a raffle for cash prizes, and games for the kids. Come enjoy the fun.

**BE STILL AND KNOW: ABIDING IN HIS PRESENCE SILENT RETREAT** will be held **June 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>** at Christ's Peace. This silent retreat invites you to discover the freedom and peace that come from living in God's Presence. This retreat offers a peaceful space to slow down, listen, and grow in trust of God's loving providence. Come rest in Him and awaken to His presence. To attend, fill out the Individual Retreat Form at [ChristPeace.com](http://ChristPeace.com) or call 913.773.8255.

**TOTUS TUUS**, a Catholic summer youth program is being hosted by St. Francis de Sales Church in Lansing, from **July 26-31!!** All incoming 1st-12th graders are invited to attend. Registration and volunteer forms can be found attached to this announcement on Facebook. Incoming 1st-6th graders meet from 9 AM to 3 PM Monday through Friday. Incoming 7th-12th graders meet from 6:30 to 8:45 PM Sunday through Thursday.

**ANONYMOUS GROUP.** If you have a willingness to stop drinking and/or using drugs, you have help and support. 12-Step Anonymous meetings are held at Easton's United Methodist Church 7 pm on Monday evenings. Contact 913-683-2271 for more information.

**CATHOLIC Q&A:**

**Q. What are the benefits of receiving Communion?**

A. Receiving Holy Communion is an amazing gift that fills our souls with blessings! It unites us to Jesus, making us more like Him as we share in His Body and Blood. This intimate connection nourishes us spiritually, helping us grow in grace and holiness.

It also strengthens our bond with the Church, uniting us with all members of the Body of Christ. Through the Eucharist, we're better prepared to love and serve others.

Plus, Holy Communion forgives our venial sins, refreshing our hearts and renewing our desire to live for God. It gives us strength to resist bigger temptations and brings peace, boosting our faith, hope, and love.

When we receive the Eucharist, we're filled with grace and we leave Mass with a deeper longing to do God's will.

**BULLETIN ITEMS:** Contact Kim Sachse, 913-775-0690 Or Email [Sjlsparish@gmail.com](mailto:Sjlsparish@gmail.com). Mass intentions may be scheduled with Kim as well. **MUST SUBMIT BY 9 pm TUES FOR INCLUSION.**

**PRAYER LIST:** *If you would like to have a name added or removed from our prayer list, please contact Kim Sachse. Our Parish Prayer Ministers invite you to join them in praying for the following:* Karen Andrus, Phil Bell, Vicki Bradford, Gretchen Brewster, Steve Bromell, Dave Brown, Delcie & Charles Brunk, Jennifer Brushwood, Carl Davidson, Courtney Davis, George Dean, Gail DeMaranville-Zule, , Dorian DeVlaminck, Vince Eimer, James Farr, Tom Flack, Helen Frazier, Les Gates, Steve Hall, Alan Halstead, Robert Hecke, Marly Heim, Melanie Herken, Jon Highfill, Trista Highfill, Michael Jones, Tyonna Jones, Ed LaBruyere, Phillip Leon, Megan List, Kelly Long, Joyce Lowe, Shauna Marshall, Juanita McDermont, Jim Meinert, Mary Meinert, Jeni Mettelstedt, Mark Miller, Karl Morrison, Charles Mullins, Don Navinsky, Leslie Navinsky, Hung Nguyen, Lonnie Dean Phillips Jr., Lori Phillips, Mary Piche, Betty Pierron, Danny Roemer, Mary Beth Schrader, Mary Shelley, Tanner Siebenmorgen, Dawn Staver, Chrissy Stewart, Matt Stewart, Dennis Sullivan, Hugh Talley, Rick VanTuyl, Lori Wangerin, Vickie Welch, Pat Wilson, and David Zule.

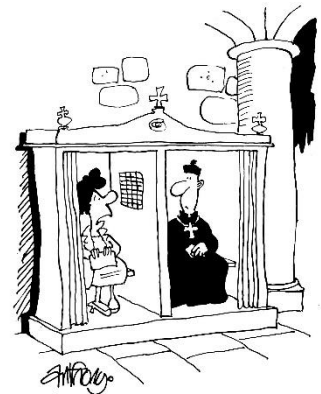
**PRAYER LIST FOR OUR SOLDIERS: ARMY:** PFC Tristen Baker, CPT Daniel Broaddus, Pvt. David Crook, SGT Colby Seifert, William

Stradley. **AIR FORCE:** TSGT Jacob Fandrich, E-4 Robert W. Herken, TSGT A Scott Loecher, A1C Noah Tattershall. **NAVY:** Dennis Budasz Jr., Sterling Curry, YNSC (SS) Kevin Lansing. **MARINE CORPS:** Drake Budasz, Wyatt DeMaranville

**MASSES THIS WEEK:**  
**Sat, June 13, 5:00 pm, SJV**  
*Stephen Payeur ☩*  
**Sun, June 14, 9:00 am, STL**  
*For the People of the Parish*  
**Tues, June 16, 6:00 pm, STL**  
*For the Intention of the Celebrant*  
**Thurs, June 18, 6:00 pm, SJV**  
*For the Intention of the Celebrant*  
**Sat, June 20, 5:00 pm, SJV**  
*For the People of the Parish*  
**Sun, June 21, 9:00 am, STL**  
*Leo Wagner and Nancy Reed ☩*

	<b>Reader:</b>	<b>Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:</b>
06/13/26	Rita Herken	Rita Herken
06/14/26	Ted Staver	Ted Staver
06/20/26	Aaron Welch	Aaron Welch
06/21/26	John Johnston	Sharon Wagner

**OUR SUNDAY FUNNY:**



"IS IT WRONG TO ACCEPT A LOYALTY CARD FROM MORE THAN ONE SUPERMARKET, FATHER?"



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**SATURDAY MASS 5pm St. Joseph of the Valley Church • SUNDAY MASS 9am St. Lawrence Church**

Confessions are heard 30 minutes before the weekend Masses or by appointment

**WEEKDAY MASSES: Tuesday 6pm St. Lawrence Church • Thursday 6pm St. Joseph of the Valley Church**

**St. Lawrence Church**

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